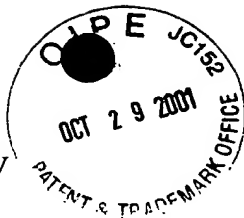


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SIR:

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified patent
application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel Claim 1, without prejudice or disclaimer.

Please add new Claims 30-46, as follows:

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30. (New) An information storage medium having an information recording area
which includes a management information recording area and at least one object recording
area,

said management information recording area being configured to describe at least one
index point within said object recording area.

31. (New) An information storage medium having an information recording area
which includes a management information recording area and at least an audio object
recording area configured to record a tune or music in unit of a track,